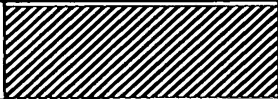
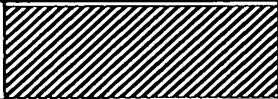


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INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/EP03/014474	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE December 12, 2003	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED December 13, 2002
TITLE OF INVENTION: CONTROLLED RELEASE PREPARATION COMPRISING TRAMADOL AND TOPIRAMATE		
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US :Dieter Bachmann, Reza Eivaskhani, Christian Braun, Rene Spycher, Brian Strong		
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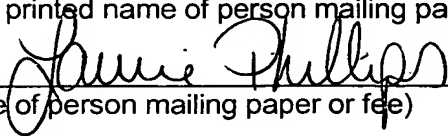
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